

I'm very disappointed that Sinclair Broadcasting is forcing local stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. This is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we stand the risk of getting news that is not directed at facts but rather that which might be direct at a specific cause that might be partisan. That kind of control is in conflict with what a good democracy needs.

I think we need to hear from real people in our own communities about what they see are the issues and more substantive news that is factual.

It's time we move away from the propaganda that both parties have fallen to. The only way we can insure this kind of evolution is by supporting local stations that are beyond the control of their corporate "keepers."

Please do something about this.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.